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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-6 and substitute therefor new claims 7-17:

extending side extremities, an absorbent body disposed between a liquid-impermeable bottom sheet which is intended to lie distal from the wearer in use, and a liquid-permeable upper sheet which is intended to lie proximal to the wearer, and either:

1) at least one longitudinally extending elastic

liquid barrier on each side of the center line of the upper